

THE FIRST BATTLE

NOMINATIONS SENT TO THE SENATE BY THE PRESIDENT.

Palmer Named Minister to Spain. Swift to Japan and Washburn to Switzerland. Secretary of the Treasury, Vice John H. Maynard, resigned.

The President sent to the Senate to-day the following nominations:

Thos. W. Palmer of Michigan to be Minister to Spain.

John H. Swift of California to be Minister to Japan.

John D. Washburn of Massachusetts to be Minister to Switzerland.

George C. Tichenor of Illinois to be Assistant Secretary of the Treasury, vice John H. Maynard, resigned.

In the executive session of the Senate the nominations received were referred to the appropriate committees when completed. None of the nominations were confirmed.

It was generally expected that the nomination of ex-Senator Palmer of Michigan would have been immediately confirmed, but it is explained that this rule applies only to sitting members of the Senate and that ex-Senators take the usual course.

The Senate met at 12 o'clock and remained in session fifteen minutes without transacting any kind of business, when a recess was taken until 1:30.

At 1:30 the Senate was again called to order. Mr. Pruden of the executive clerk entered with messages from the President and the Senate at once went into secret session. In five minutes afterward the doors were reopened and the Senate adjourned until to-morrow.

Louis Riel's Execution.

In the executive session of the Senate to-day a message from the President transmitting correspondence in response to a Senate resolution in regard to the execution of Louis Riel by Canadian authorities, and which was claimed by an American citizen, was laid before the Senate.

The Republicans in Caucus.

The Republican Senatorial caucus met again this morning and completed their list of members to fill vacancies on the several committees. The minority list was not furnished to the Republicans after a caucus of the Democratic Senators to-morrow morning and the completed Senate committee announced in a statement probably on its assembling to-morrow noon.

LATE DEPARTMENT NEWS.

A cablegram was received at the State Department to-day from Consul Lathrop at Bristol, stating that the schooner George B. McFarland was abandoned in the Atlantic. The crew were all saved by the British ship Canute, and are being cared for at Bristol.

The Samoan Situation.

Up to late hour this afternoon neither the State Department nor the Navy Department is in receipt of any news from Samoa, and the general feeling among the officials is that the late alleged private news is that the whole thing is a stock-jobbing hoax.

Naval Orders Issued.

Commander Frank Wildes has been ordered to duty as Inspector of the First Light House District at Detroit; Chief Engineer Isaac R. McNary has been ordered to duty at the monitors lying near Richmond, Va.

The President's Callers.

Among the President's callers to-day were Secretaries Blaine, Windom, Miller, Secretary Allison, Spooner, Sawyer and Vice President Morton.

Various Department Matters.

The Treasury receipts to-day were: Internal revenue, \$629,980.30; customs, \$729,312.34.

The following appointments have been made in the Internal Revenue Department: Samuel B. Donaldson, storekeeper, Nashville; William E. Cleland, storekeeper, Portland, Me.; James C. Fisher, storekeeper, Troy, N. Y.; John B. Grimes, storekeeper, Burlington, Vt.; George C. Oliver, storekeeper, Canton, Mass.; John B. Grimes, storekeeper and gauger, Russell County, Ky.

The bond offerings to-day were \$42,300 registered at \$108.

THE ARMY AND NAVY.

The Richmond has arrived at Montevideo. Lieutenant Gurlick has been ordered to leave Brooklyn, March 20, and to proceed per steamer, with Marine Guard, for duty at Manila.

Commander William T. Sampson has been ordered to examination for promotion.

Lieutenant George M. Stoney has been ordered to duty as inspector of steel for the new cruisers at the Pacific Rolling Mills, San Francisco, Cal.

Lieutenant N. J. L. T. Thistle has been ordered to the United States Atlantic Station, per steamer of 20th instant, from Newport News, Va.

Lieutenant David Delahanty has been detached as a member of the staff for the expedition and survey, San Francisco, and ordered to duty on the Coast Survey.

The Swains, the Kearsarge and the Tallapoosa have arrived at Montevideo.

THE COURT RECORD.

EQUITY COURT.—Justice Cox.—Bayne vs. Adams; R. S. Cooper appointed guardian ad litem. Wagonman vs. Johnson; final decree substituting trusts and directing redemption.

CIRCUIT COURT, DIV. 1.—Chief Justice Blingham.—Lynch vs. Kirkwood; motion for judgment postponed. Swart vs. Lacey; motion for additional security overruled.

CIRCUIT COURT, DIV. 2.—Justice Montgomery.—Potts vs. Washington Baseball Club; verdict for defendant. Winston vs. Lawrence; placed on trial.

COURT IN GENERAL TERM.—Justices Hagner and James.—Battor vs. Daley; opinion by Justice Hagner; judgment below affirmed. Daley vs. Hagner; affirmed "settle." Andrew Mayer of Philadelphia admitted to the bar.

Burial Permits Issued.

Burial permits have been issued during the past forty-eight hours by the Health Officer as follows: Thomas H. Parsons, 71 years; Julia Adams, 35 years; Nannie Price, 51 years; Henry Good, 30 years; Margaret E. Wilson, 12 years; Virginia Jones, 31 years; Wm. H. Brown, 29 years; Rosa Della Zerega, 8 years; Gertrude P. Clark, 3 years; Milla Johnson, 3 months; Mary McCarthy, 1 day; Charles McVey, 11 months; Joseph H. Smith, 40 years; Kirby S. Woodward, 33 years; Mary E. Adams, 34 years; Joseph H. Bodson, 40 years; Mabel Maning, 7 months; Isador M. Danabower, 17 years; and the following: William H. Biken, 2 months; Gertrude Munford, 3 months; May Watkins, 48 years; Maria Alexander, 10 years; Julia Ware, 41 years; Elizabeth Scott, 4 months.

Market House Directors.

The stockholders to-day elected the following directors of the Northern Liberty Market: E. H. Dana, George Liberty, Thomas E. H. Dana, George E. Hamilton, J. Mary Dove, Theodore Barnes, William Miller, Martin F. Morris and Edward G. Gummel.

A SURPRISED JUROR.

W. R. Speare Fined for Speaking Out in Court.

In the case of Aaron Harvey Potts, who asked for damages against the Washington National Baseball Club for injuries which he had sustained by being struck by a ball, Judge Montgomery this morning directed the jury to render a verdict for the defendant. The Court held that there was no negligence shown by the ball club, if it was any negligence it was on the part of Mr. Potts in standing where the ball was likely to come.

This view was urged by William A. Cook, who represented the ball club, and was earnestly opposed by T. M. Fields, Potts' counsel. Mr. Fields delivered quite a lecture, contending that before such a case could be taken from the jury it should be one in which none of the jurors could have a doubt as to the contributory negligence.

The clerk was directed to take the verdict for the defendant, but there was evidently a hitch in the matter. The delay was explained by the fact that Mr. Potts' counsel had been talking outside of the Court, and that he was not prepared to give a verdict for the defendant.

"I think the plaintiff has made out a case," he said, his impression evidently being that the Court was going outside of its rights in directing which way the verdict should go.

"The Court hasn't asked for my opinion; it will look after that matter," said Judge Montgomery, with some warmth, "and will endeavor to attend to you later on. You may take the verdict, Mr. Clerk."

The verdict was taken, Mr. Speare joining with his fellow jurors in a decision in favor of the defendant.

After the panel had left the jury box, Judge Montgomery said Mr. Speare brought up before him.

"Mr. Speare," said he, "I desire you to state what reason you have to give why you should be disciplined for your conduct this morning."

Mr. Speare replied that he supposed every case was to be given to the jury for them to go over and deliberate upon.

Judge Montgomery said that in order to make the matter clear in the future he would state that the Court had its duty and the jury had theirs, and that it was for the jury to take care of the facts. "The Court," said he, "will not intrude upon the province of the jury, and the Court will not permit any intrusion of the jury upon its province. I think that you or any of the jurors are sufficiently intelligent to understand the difference between the two, and to administer justice in the case I will direct the clerk to register a fine of \$10 against you for contempt of Court."

Mr. Speare paid his fine at once and resumed his seat in the court-room without saying a word.

THE DISTRICT GOVERNMENT.

The Vice-President's Day Window.

The Commissioners have approved the application of Bulfinch John Fraser to erect a day window on the N-street front of Vice-President Morton's house, which is situated at the intersection of Rhode Island avenue and Fifteenth and N-streets, formerly occupied by Professor Bell.

The project will be quite large, but, on account of the location and the fact that it will not obstruct the view, the permit will be granted.

Miscellaneous Matters.

The Commissioners have approved the application of W. Y. Johnson for a bar-room license at 2429 M street. Wholesale liquor licenses have been granted to E. C. Brice, corner of South Carolina avenue and Twelfth street; G. S. Kaufman, 321 New York avenue; C. P. Fitch, 1200 M street; and G. E. Kennedy, 1108 Connecticut avenue northwest.

The receipts for the sale of the fish stalls and wharves were \$22,818.40.

The retail milk peddlers who sell from push-carts have again petitioned the Commissioners to issue badges to them, to distinguish them from those who do not pay the license fee.

Dr. Godding of the Government Hospital for the Insane has reported that during the month of February there were admitted on account of insanity twelve patients and six were desperate.

W. A. Stewart has made application for a sidewalk in front of new houses at the southeast corner of Fourth and E streets northwest.

Real Estate Transfers.

Theo. I. King to Joseph D. Milans, sublots 31 and 34, square 778, \$3,000.

Joseph D. Milans to Theo. I. King, lot 10, block 1, and lot 7, block 3, "Whitney Circle," square 1055, \$18,400.

Rudolph Kleinhorn to Caspar Barber, sublot 202, square 621, \$4,500.

Caspar Barber to Rudolph Kleinhorn, part sublots 21 and 22, square 596, \$6,200.

Andrew W. Eastlack to Diana Taylor, sublot 21, block 17, Meridian Hill, \$800.

Michael Conroy to Ann Purcell, part sublot 50, square 925, \$5, and payment of arrears of taxes, \$100.

William H. Minix to Diana Mallon, part lot 11, square 81, \$1.

Catherine M. Trott to Sidney Alexander Schuchman, lot 10 and interest in square north of 1025, \$1,300.05.

Howard Underwood to Robert Daggs, sublot 24, square 1055, \$800.

John E. Leighty to Francis Thomas, sublot B and lot 2, square 1055, \$18,400.

Leighty & Pairo, trustees, to Herbert A. Gill, lots 6 and 7, block 3, and lot 8, block 50, Broadway, \$1,500.

John T. Leighty to James E. Hibbs, part lot 22, square 228, \$3,120.

William F. Seim et al. to Leander M. B. and lot 2, square 2, and 3, square 118, \$16,000.

Ann Woody to William Woody, part of property conveyed to grantor by Mary Cook et al., \$250.

A Letter of Conciliation.

Among the letters of conciliation which Recorder Francis Joseph received was the death of his son was one signed by "the Mother of Oberkand." In 1882 Oberkand was arrested for having a shell in his possession, and was sentenced to prison. He was tried and condemned to death. His mother sent an appeal to the Emperor for his pardon. So did Victor Hugo. His majesty refused the pardon and Oberkand was executed. "Unhappy father," says the mother in her letter to the Emperor, "regret that I cannot see my son, who is compelled to feel the same pangs that I, a poor abandoned mother, felt on the morning of the 26th of December, 1882."

THEY ARE WILLIN'

SOME OF THE CANDIDATES FOR THE OFFICES.

A List From Which President Harrison Can Pick a Lot of Able Assistants to the Men Whom He Has Put Into the Cabinet.—Any Number of Patriots Ready.

Ex-Governor A. G. Porter of Indiana, Minister to Rome.

Will McKinney of Indianapolis, Superintendent of the Railway Mail Service at Cincinnati.

Judge Gibson of Ohio, Commissioner of Pensions.

Colonel C. P. Lincoln, Post Department Commander, G. A. R., Second Contingent of the Treasury.

Clark Carr of Illinois, First Assistant Postmaster-General.

M. Moseley of Alabama, Fourth Auditor of the Treasury.

General James Robinson of Ohio, First Assistant Postmaster-General.

Ex-Internal Revenue Commissioner Evans, First Contingent of the Treasury.

Colonel Brigland of Ohio, Consul-General at Panama.

Ex-Congressman Hepburn of Iowa, Assistant Secretary of the Treasury.

James Clark of Mattoon, Ill., Second Auditor of the Treasury.

D. D. Dixon of Baltimore, Delegate-at-Large to Chicago, Minister Resident and Consul-General at London.

Colonel Swords, Sergeant-at-Arms of the Senate.

P. Y. Collins of Minnesota, Secretary of the Senate.

W. R. Bates of Minnesota, Consul at Panama.

Ex-Congressman Thomas of Illinois, Second Contingent of the Treasury.

Ex-Attorney-General Blair of Virginia, Solicitor-General of that State.

John C. Shyne of New York city, Collector of the Port of New York.

Judge Wren of Nevada, Commissioner of the Land Office.

Charles E. Coon, formerly Assistant Secretary of the Treasury, Contingent of the Treasury.

Ex-Representative Brumm of Pennsylvania, Third Auditor of the Treasury.

Paul Vandervoort of Nebraska, Superintendent of the Mail Service.

Judge Montgomery of Ohio, Commissioner of Internal Revenue.

John Hancock, Commissioner of Iowa, Commissioner of Education.

Colonel H. M. Duffield of Michigan, Solicitor-General.

Ex-Governor Stone of Iowa, Commissioner of the Land Office.

Daniel H. Hubbard of Massachusetts, Consul-General at Boston.

General George S. Bachevalier of New York, Assistant Secretary of the Treasury.

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GEORGE IN ENGLAND.

He is Received at Southampton With Honors.

New York, March 11.—A London special says: Henry George arrived at Southampton yesterday on the steamer Ems and his friends took him aboard a tender amid the cheers of those who had voyaged with him. He said the passage had been a pleasant one and he was full of enthusiasm for his work in England. In an interview he said:

"I am here with the idea that England is the most important point in the world for politics here is in a peculiar position. In the first place, there has been a tremendous revolution in favor of the Irish, which culminates in the exposure of the Tories. When I first came to England, in 1882, the intensity of the prejudice against the Irish was something that can hardly be stated. Nothing was too bad to believe of Ireland. The result of the Gladstone fight, putting the Liberal party with all its machinery on the side of the Irish party, has been to enormously educate and enlighten the English people. Now virtually all the Tories are against the purchase scheme."

"My friends insisted on my coming over here in view of the fact that the approaching Parliamentary election might not come off for three years, it was liable to come off in three years, it was liable to come off in three months, and I thought, as far as possible, to infuse radical ideas in the minds of the voters, and to so bring them into the election, that they would have to have to vote for themselves. The London joint committee for the taxation of ground rents, which I addressed when I was in London, and of which association I am a member, was formed only a year ago. Thirty-eight of the members who formed it have been elected to this new county council, and there is no question that a clear majority of the members were in favor of taxing the landlords and a majority of that majority, I think, saw the value of taxing them as I would, so as to utterly abolish them."

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IT'S A HOSTILE TOWN.

Reasons Why Tramps Steer Pretty Closely to the Kitchen Door.

As a rule tramps steer pretty closely to the kitchen door. It is known to the fraternity all over the country as a "hostile" town. The workhouse doesn't bear a good reputation, and the houses are for the most part built in such a way that they cannot easily get to the kitchen door. Then, there are no "hang-outs," no slums where for a nickel they can get a can of stale beer and the privilege of sitting by the stove all night. All of these things militate against the Capital as a tramp's resort, and though most of the old veterans in the country have visited here, they haven't any good opinion of it. During inauguration time, however, they overcame their prejudices, and there were perhaps a thousand here. A good many of them remain, and any morning, if you go to the back of Gonzaga College, you will find a score or more of the gentry waiting about the door of the kitchen for his breakfast.

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WILL USE CABLES.

NEW DEPARTURE OF THE W. & G. RAILROAD COMPANY.

President Hunt States His Intentions to the Commissioners and Wishes to be Informed as to the Rights of the Company.—Views of Major Raymond and Captain Symons.

President Henry Hunt of the Washington and Georgetown Railroad Company, in a letter to the Commissioners on the subject of introducing a cable on the Seventh street line, says: "Desiring to take such steps as are necessary for